

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SSB 6208

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Regarding license fees under the warehouse act.

**Sponsors:** Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler and Hatfield).

**Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Economic Development**  
**House Committee on General Government Appropriations & Oversight**

**Background:** The Department of Agriculture is charged with administering the Grain Warehouse Act. Under that act, the department supervises the receiving, storage, weighing, and inspection of grain. It also is authorized to conduct audits of warehouses. Warehouses that store specified agricultural commodities are required to be licensed and bonded. Funding for administering the program is derived from the fees paid by licensees which are placed in a separate non-appropriated account.

**Summary:** The fees are increased for the following:

- terminal warehouses - the current fee of \$1,350 is increased to \$1,900;
- sub-terminal warehouses - the current fee of \$1,050 is increased to \$1,500;
- grain dealers - the current fee of \$750 is increased to \$1,750;
- exempt grain dealers - the current fee of \$300 is increased to \$500; and
- country warehouses - the current \$500 fee is increased to \$700.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

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| Senate | 38 | 10 |
| House  | 86 | 10 |

**Effective:** June 7, 2012

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